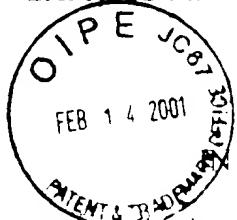


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AMENDMENT "B" AND RESPONSE

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2000, Applicant submits this Amendment "B" and Response. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows: